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The Honorable Shane E. Pendergrass, Chair
Members of the Committee
Health & Government Operations Committee
241 House Office Building
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Madam Chair and Members of the Committee:

Please be advised that the Maryland Department of Veterans Affairs supports with amendments HB 237 State Government – Maryland Veterans Commission – Membership. We would like to see language included that guarantees that the member representing the Reserve Organization of America qualify as a veteran under the 38 USC.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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George W. Owings III
Secretary

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